

**\*\* Subject To Council Approval\*\***

**JONESVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
Minutes of July 16, 2025**

A meeting of the Jonesville City Council was held on Wednesday, July 16, 2025 at the Jonesville City Hall, 265 E. Chicago Street, Jonesville, MI. Mayor Gerry Arno called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were: Dean Adair II, Chris Grider, Brenda Guyse, Andy Penrose, and Annette Sands. Absent: George Humphries Jr.

Also present: Manager Gray, DPW Supt. Crouch, Public Safety Director Lance, Asst. Fire Chief Riggs, Finance Director Spahr, WWTP Supt Mullaly, Lisa Adair, Katherine Graves, Victor Face and Chad and Nicole Benson.

Chris Grider led the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

A motion was made by Annette Sands and supported by Brenda Guyse to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Absent: George Humphries Jr. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brenda Guyse and supported by Andy Penrose to approve the minutes of June 18, 2025. All in favor. Absent: George Humphries Jr. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Chris Grider and supported by Brenda Guyse to approve the closed session minutes of June 18, 2025. All in favor. Absent: George Humphries Jr. Motion carried.

Brenda Guyse made a motion and was supported by Chris Grider to receive the minutes of the following: Region II Planning Commission – 05/08/25; Cemetery Committee – 06/11/25. All in favor. Absent: George Humphries Jr. Motion carried.

Mayor Gerry Arno opened the Public Hearing for the Industrial Facilities Tax (IFT) Exemption Certificates for NEFCO (North East Fabrication Company). The Public Hearing was closed and a motion was made by Annette Sands and supported by Dean Adair II to approve Resolution 2025-15 – Transfer of Certificate #2016-155. NEFCO, located at 113 Deal Parkway, has recently changed ownership and has completed a 6000 square foot addition on the existing facility to accommodate a powder coat painting system and company receiving. The initial certificate provides an abatement of 50% of the taxes on the property investment for a total of 12 years, the transfer would be for the balance of the 12 years remaining. Victor Face, owner of NEFCO, answered various questions regarding the business. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Dean Adair II, Chris Grider, Brenda Guyse, Andy Penrose, Annette Sands and Gerry Arno. Nays: None. Absent: George Humphries Jr. Motion carried.

Brenda Guyse made a motion and supported by Chris Grider to approve Resolution 2025-16 – PA 198 Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate – NEFCO (North East Fabrication Company). This resolution provides for a 50% abatement of real property taxes on the investment for a 12- year term. The abatement supports a \$300,000 investment for a 6000 square foot addition to the existing building. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Dean Adair II, Chris Grider,

Brenda Guyse, Andy Penrose, Annette Sands and Gerry Arno. Nays: None. Absent: George Humphries Jr. Motion carried.

As directed at the June Council Meeting, staff has developed a property listing for the sale of vacant property located at 148 Jermaine Street and posted it to the City website. A letter was sent to adjoining property owners making them aware of the sale and posted a sign on the property. Notice was also sent to the party who previously showed interest in the lot. No offers have been received at this time.

A motion was made by Dean Adair II and supported by Chris Grider to approve Resolution 2025-17 – Charitable Gaming License for a recently formed nonprofit, Jonesville Football Alumni Association, Inc. The organization Articles of Incorporation and Mission Statement were provided to Council. Katherine Graves was in attendance to answer various questions. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Dean Adair II, Chris Grider, Brenda Guyse, Andy Penrose, Annette Sands and Gerry Arno. Nays: None. Absent: George Humphries Jr. Motion carried.

Brenda Guyse made a motion and was supported by Chris Grider to approve Pay Request No. 1 – Water Service Line Verifications in the amount of \$75,699, this includes a 10% retainage. The costs associated with the project are being paid from the Technical, Managerial and Financial (TMF) Support Grant from the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE). All in favor. Absent: George Humphries Jr. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Andy Penrose and supported by Brenda Guyse to waive ordinance requirements for community events regulating yard sales for US-12 Garage Sale weekend Friday, August 8, 2025 through Sunday, August 10, 2025. All in favor. Absent: George Humphries Jr. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brenda Guyse and supported by Annette Sands to cast a vote for the three trustees seeking election to the Michigan Municipal League Workers Compensation Trust Fund Trustee Ballot. All in favor. Absent: George Humphries Jr. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Andy Penrose and supported by Brenda Guyse to approve the Accounts Payable for July in the amount of \$132,509.32. All in favor. Absent: George Humphries Jr. Motion carried.

Updates were given by Department Heads, Manager Gray and Council.

Mayor Arno adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Cynthia D. Means  
Clerk

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Gerald E. Arno  
Mayor